

Mountain View Humane

The Waldron-Ricci Spay Neuter Clinic



The Problem

- 2 Billion dollars are spent each year to catch, house, euthanize, and dispose of homeless animals in America, an average of \$250 per animal.
- For every child that is born, seven puppies and kittens are born.
- Pet overpopulation is not an owner problem, a shelter problem, or a veterinarian problem. It's a community problem!



Be Part of The Solution

Aggressive Spay/Neuter

- Sterilization is the best defense against all sources of overpopulation in our community.
- Sterilization minimizes health risks and the cost for caring for unwanted animals.



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- So far at MVH, 8,637 sterilization procedures have been performed, 47% of which reside in Montgomery County.
- Every 1,000 procedures performed at MVH that would not have been otherwise leads to at least 500 fewer animals taken into a shelter over time.* This leads to not only a reduction in intake, but also in euthanasia.

*Firepaw Analysis



Be Part of The Solution Aggressive Spay/Neuter

- 36% of the animals sterilized in Montgomery County had owners who needed additional financial assistance to make the surgery happen.
- The average assistance is \$46.50 leaving the owner to pay an average of \$14.50.



We Need to Do More!

- Spay/neuter services need to be advocated to all animal owners as well as the general public.
- If an owner cannot afford the sterilization surgery, we need to make that service more affordable, by providing subsidy funding.
- Local rescues have done a tremendous job trying to help us help the population, but it's not enough.



We Can Do More!

- The goal is to turn no one away for the inability to pay. The need for ongoing funding to subsidize the lowest income population cannot be avoided and is overwhelming.
- With your help, we can make a bigger impact on our community.



How You Can Help!

- All cats living in Montgomery County would be subsidized with \$28 of this fund.
- Feral cats that come in a trap and get eartipped would cost the owner \$1, including rabies vaccine.
- Free roaming cats that come in a carrier and get eartipped would cost the owner \$11, including rabies vaccine.
- House cats would cost the owner \$25 for a male and \$30 for a female, not including rabies vaccine.



How You Can Help!

- Minimally, if a locality spends \$120 to care for an unwanted animal, spending the same \$120 to fund 5 surgeries would save at least 2 animals from coming to the shelter, saving the locality \$240 in sheltering / animal control costs over time.

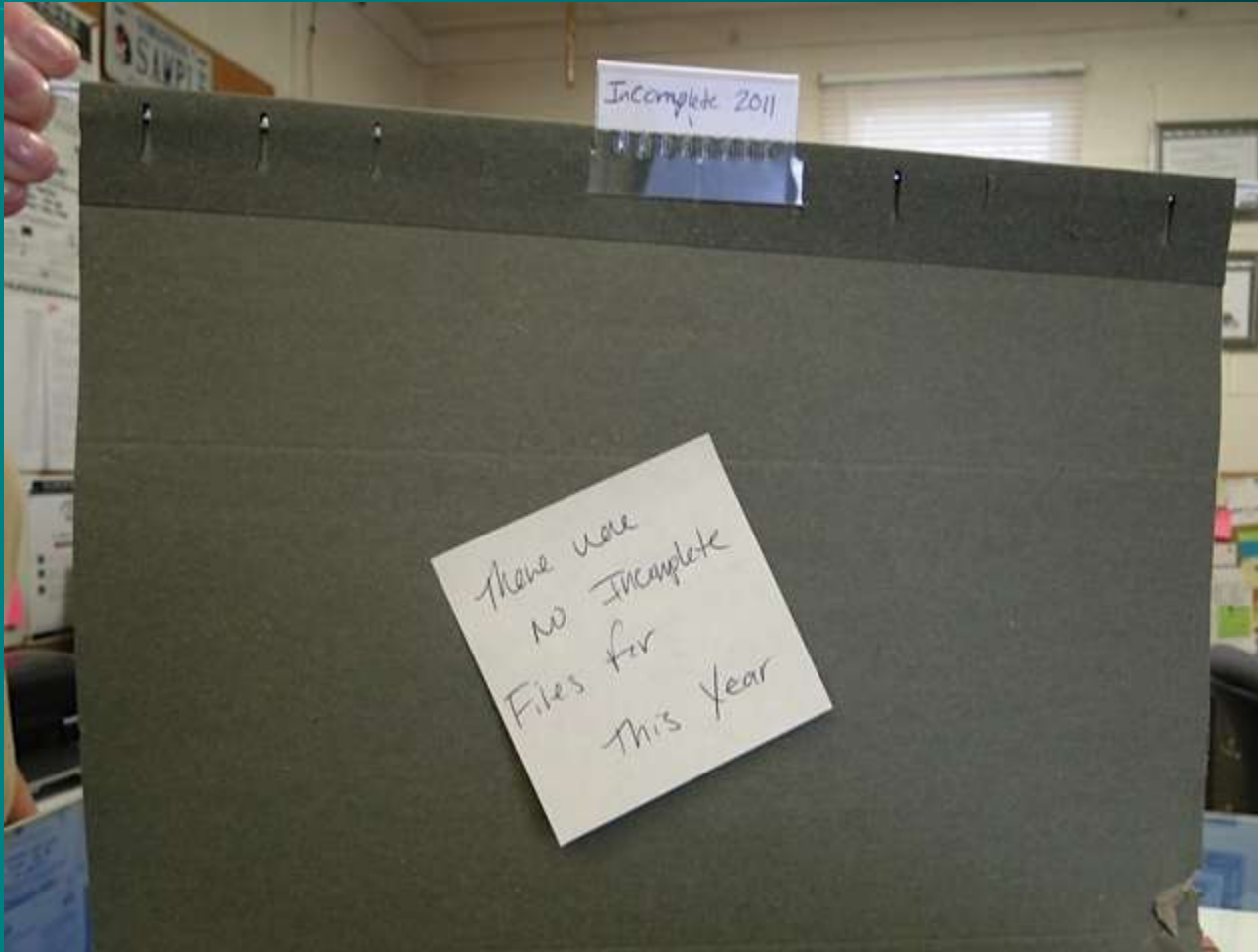
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How You Can Help!

- Support our Animal Control Officers as they promote the service in areas where the most strays are picked up.
- Promote this program through all available channels.
- Promote spay and neuter in your every day world. Fliers, door knob hangers, and postcards can be provided to get the word out in public places such as libraries, laundry mats, anywhere people will see it.
- Will you support us in this effort?

Success Story



Making
Progress in
Montgomery
County!

Spay/neuter
fulfillment:

2009 – 48%

2010 – 86%

2011 – 100%